Construction of flats by DDA

2164. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses and flats constructed by the Delhi Development Authority during the years 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89;

(b) the amount spent on the construction of these houses and flats;

(c) the number of houses and flats allotted and occupied; and

(d) the number of houses and flats still unoccupied?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SING): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Quantum and value of Steel

2165. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum and value of Steel imported during the last three years, yearwise;

(b) what are the reasons for the import of steel; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to increase the production of steel and stop its import?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Quantity and value of imports of steel during the last three years is given below:—

Year	Quantity (million tonnes)	Value (Rs. in crores)	Remarks
1986-87	2.56	974	Authoritative figures are not yet available from the Director General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics. These are estimates based on general information about price trends.
1987-88	2.60	1150	
1988-89	2.70	1350	

(b) Import is resorted to meet the genuine demands within the country as a supplement to indigenous production.

(c) Efforts are on to increase production of iron and steel within the country through expansion/modernisation of the existing public and private sector steel plants and creation of new capacities. Some imports will, however, have to be made from time to time to meet specific needs.

Index and real earning of workers

2166. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) index number of money earnings and real earnings of workers earning Rs. 1000 or more per month year-wise from 1986-87 to 1988-89; and

(b) the rate of growth or decline (in per cent) in the real earnings of workers during this period, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALAVIYA): (a) and (b) The provisional indices for All-India per Capita Daily Earnings are available only upto the calendar

year 1985. These figures include workers who are in receipt of monthly wage of Rs. -1600|-. Figures are as under:

Year	All India per capita daily earnings		Percentage rise in real earnings over previous year
	Money earnings	Real earnings	
1983	28.00	28.00	..
1984	31.55	29.19	4.25
1985	34.06	29.88	2.36

Loss to NCCF on rejection of rice by foreign buyers

2167. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 1893 given in the Rajya Sabha on 10th March, 1989 and state:

(a) what was the exact quantity of the rice rejected by Foreign Buyers of NCCF at Kandla Port during 1981-82 being declared as inferior and sub-standard quality other than that damaged by cyclone at Kandla Port on which a rebate of US $ 10.00 per quintal was given by NCCF to the foreign buyer; and

(b) the details or disciplinary action taken by NCCF against the then Regional Manager (North)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) NCCF have reported that 10775 MTs of IR-8 rice and 7073 MTs of PR-106 rice were found to be containing higher broken percentage and consequently could not be loaded to the ships before the rain and cyclone at the Kandla Port. The rebate of US $ 10.00 MT was allowed in the shipment of 9552 MTs of IR-8 rice as per the records of NCCF. Due to prolonged storage of the stocks in the open space at Kandla Port, on account of delay in nomination of vessels by the foreign buyers, the stocks were exposed to extreme heat resulting in higher broken percentages. No action has been taken against the then Regional Manager (North) in this respect.

Charges against some officers of NCCF

2168. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2934 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether the investigation by CBI was initiated in Iraqui Dry Dates much prior to July, 1987; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not serving the charge sheet framed against Controller of Accounts and Finance of NCCF framed in April, 1987 and why no departmental action has been taken against him?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) The Department of Civil Supplies had requested the CBI to take up investigation into the case of import of dry dates in March, 1987. Accordingly, the CBI has taken possession of the related books and records of the NCCF. In the absence of the relevant documents, the NCCF could not serve the charge sheet to Controller of Accounts and Finance framed earlier. The CBI have not so far furnished their report in this case.

Loss to NCCF on replacement of dry dates

2169. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to replies to Unstarred Question 1213 and 1219 given in Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether the then Chief Manager Business NCCF signed the said agreement dated the 16th February, 1988 with M|s. Khanna Motors, Delhi without the prior